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According to a French decree which went into effect September 1, 1922, all of the grain except bran and refuse kernels must be used in the preparation of flour for human consumption.

The 1922 wheat crop of France is estimated at 235,000,000 bushels which is a decrease of about 27 per cent from the production of last year. The yields of rye and maslin are also smaller than the harvest of last year. Barley and oats crops have increased.

According to the estimates of July 15, the total acreage of all field crops in Denmark except rye, maslin, potatoes and sugar beets show slight increases over 1921.

The acreage of corn in Guatemala up to May 1922 was estimated at 463,000 acres as compared with 310,000 acres in 1921. The acreages of wheat, rice and potatoes were also increased.

SUMMARY OF THE CONTENTS,-CONTINUED.

The latest estimate of the production of corn in the Union of South Africa for 1921-22 is 35,454,000 bushels as compared with 47,669,000 in 1920-21 and 45,147,000 in 1917-18. The production of kaffir corn and tobacco is less in 1921-22 than in the estimates of either of the preceding years.

The acreage of wheat in Argentina for 1922-23 is estimated to be 1,600,000 acres above that of last year although it is nearly 300,000 acres below the 1909-09 to 1912-13 average. The acreages of oats and linseed show increases over the estimates for last year and the five-year average.

The total acreage of the secondary crops in Chosen for 1921 is estimated as 3,224,000 acres as compared with 3,171,000 acres in 1920. The production of all kinds of millet in 1921 amounted to 39,060,000 winchester bushels as compared with 39,990,000 bushels the year before.

During the nine months ending March 31, 1922 the total sales of New Zealand free wool amounted to more than 600,000 bales.

The production of the winter oilseeds, in British India for 1921-22 is considerably greater than in 1920-21.

The outlook for the 1922-23 coffee crop in the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil, is reported to be quite favorable and a commercial production of 1,054,700,000 pounds is predicted.

The coffee crop of Haiti for 1921-22 is roughly estimated at about three-fourths of normal or about 60,000,000 to 75,000,000 pounds.

The production of coffee on the East Coast of Sumatra shows a decided decrease during the last seven years, the production in 1921 being about 3,100,000 pounds as compared with 9,700,000 pounds in 1915.

The total area planted to rye in the year 1922 for all countries reporting is estimated to be 30,503,000 acres. The principal countries for which reports are not yet available are Germany, Austria, and Russia. For countries for which comparable figures are available the acreage planted this year is 2,752,000 acres more than that planted last year and 8,199,000 acres more than the average area for the period 1909 to 1913.

The world production of rye for 1922 for all countries reporting is 763,039,000 bushels. The total production of the United States, Canada, Chile and fifteen European countries for which comparable figures are available, amounts to about 717,254,000 bushels this year as compared with 711,098,000 bushels produced by the same countries in 1921 and 792,314,000 bushels the average for 1909-13.

SUMMARY OF THE CONTENTS,-CONTINUED.

The wholesale prices for grains, fodder and animals and meats in Canada during July 1922 were about 20 percent below the level of prices for all commodities, according to the price index number based on the prices ruling in July 1913. Dairy products prices were about 34 per cent below the general price level.

Retail food prices were lower in the summer of 1922 than in July 1921 in the United Kingdom, Belgium, Finland, France, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States and in the overseas dominions of the United Kingdom. In Rome and Florence, Italy, prices were higher than in July 1921.

The imports of wheat into the United Kingdom for the seven months ending July 31, 1922 show a considerable increase over the same period of the preceding years. The imports of corn and oats were increased but the barley imports decreased. The amount of hams and lard imported was greater than for the corresponding period of 1921 and the imports of bacon were less.

DECREE OF JULY 28, 1922 FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE LAW OF JULY 15, 1922 INSURING A BETTER UTILIZATION OF WHEAT AND FLOUR IN FRANCE.

Art. 1. - Beginning September 1, 1922, the manufacture of flour will be compulsorily conducted in such a manner as to extract from the wheat grain the maximum of bread flour.

All products of the milling with the exception of bran and refuse grain must be mixed to constitute the flour intended for human food.

This flour will be considered as extracted to the limit beyond which ground wheat products cannot be manufactured, put on sale or sold.

Art. 2. - In order to make sure that the flour products conform to the rulings of the present decree, they will be compared with an official standard of flour, established through the efforts of a committee named by the Minister of Agriculture. This standard will represent the finest and whitest flour which it will be forbidden to surpass.

A sample of the official standard will be deposited in the laboratories designated by the Minister of Agriculture and may be delivered to any inquirer under the conditions set down in the order provided in article 5.

Art. 3. - All disputes relative to the application of Articles 1 and 2 will be submitted to the examination of a committee sitting at the chief city of the Department and composed of five members; the prefect (chief administrator of a Department) or his delegate, president, two farmers, a miller and a baker chosen under the conditions which will be laid down by the order provided in article 5.

DECREE OF JULY 28, 1922 IN FRANCE,-CONTINUED

Art. 3, cont'd. This committee may on the other hand have laid before it either by syndicates or other agricultural organizations, or by organizations or representatives of millers or bakers, all questions relative to the authentication of market prices of flour and their relation to the price of wheat.

The findings of the committee will be kept at the prefecture at the disposition of those interested.

Art. 4. - It is forbidden to place on sale, to sell or to use for feed for cattle and horses, asses and mules, wheat suitable for milling, the flour produced by grinding or bread suitable for human consumption.

Art. 5. - A decree of the Minister of Agriculture, rendered according to the determinations of the committee on the utilization of wheat will determine the following questions:

(1.) - The conditions under which and in what proporations, modifying Article 1, certain flour may be manufactured at lower rate of extraction and used for the supplying of certain special industries especially biscuit making.

(2.) - The conditions under which the official type indorsed in Article 2 will be established:

(3.) - And in a general manner, the method of putting into execution the above articles.

Art. 6. - The Minister of Agriculture is charged with the execution of the present decree.

(source: Journal d'Agriculture Pratique, August 5, 1922, page 118).

ESTIMATED PRODUCTION OF CEREALS IN FRANCE, 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE 1909-13.

Crops.	Average, 1909-13	1921	1922
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
Wheat	317,254	323,467	235,000
Rye	48,647	44,392	37,000
Barley	46,489	38,318	40,000
Oats	310,020	244,455	289,000
Maslin	5,947	5,878	4,400

(Source: 1909-13 average, Statistique Agricole Annuelle de L'Republique Francais p. 232-240, 244. 1921 Bulletin des Halles, Bourses et Marches, August 1, 1922, p. 1. 1922, New York Evening Post, Saturday, September 30, 1922, page 4. Quoting the French Ministry of Agriculture.)

AREA UNDER CROPS IN DENMARK FOR 1922 ACCORDING TO THE ESTIMATES OF JULY 15, COMPARED WITH THE ACREAGE OF 1921

Crop	1921	1922
	Acres	Acres
Wheat	219,647	237,174
Rye	558,782	546,647
Barley (2 rowed	561,767	600,030
Barley (6 "	66,366	66,171
Oats (Yellow)	892,945	912,493
Oats (black)	218,607	205,382
Maslin	479,181	464,785
Pulse	46,596	47,026
Buckwheat	8,189	8,975
Potatoes	207,920	204,201
Beets (fodder)	257,901	286,473
Turnip - headed cabbage	369,859	383,536
Turnips and other root crops	129,886	144,183
Carrots	12,325	13,719
Beets (sugar)	85,778	60,021
Chickory	610	1,544

(Source: Danish Statistiske Department; Statistiske Efterretninger, September 6, 1922, page 145.)

AREA PLANTED TO THE PRINCIPAL CROPS IN GUATEMALA UP TO MAY 1922 AND FOR 1921.

Crop	Acres 1921	Acres (May 1922)
Corn	310,000	468,000
Beans	.....	45,000
Wheat	21,000	22,000
Rice	8,000	11,000
Potatoes	4,000	4,000

(Source: Boletin de Agricultura, Industria y Comercio de Guatemala Vol. I, No. 7, July 1922, p. 287. Year 1921 International Institute of Agriculture, Bulletin, August 1922 and January 1922).

CROPS IN UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA, 1917-1918, 1920-1921, 1921-1922.

In the following table are given the latest estimates of the production of the various crops in the Union of South Africa for 1921-22 together with a consular report of the production in 1920-21 based on census figures, and comparable figures for 1917-18.

Crops.	1917-18.	1920-21.	1921-22.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Wheat	10,105,000	7,613,333	.....
Barley	2,100,000	1,108,000	.....
Oats	10,775,000	5,976,070	.....
Corn	45,147,000	47,668,700	35,454,300
Kaffir-corn	6,433,000	5,550,000	4,473,300
Rye	930,000	788,000	.....
	Pounds.	Pounds.	Pounds.
Cotton (seed)	797,000	3,576,400	2,846,000
Tobacco	14,931,000	16,620,640	12,109,900
Tea	1,603,000	1,883,900	.....
Peanuts	5,954,560	14,241,360	.....
	Short Tons.	Short Tons.	Short Tons.
Sugar	122,080	212,800	164,621

(Source: 1918 and 1921, Consular Report from Cape Town, August 23, giving the Agricultural Census figures for the year ending April 30, 1921; 1922 from Consular Report, Cape Town, August 10).

CROP ACREAGES IN ARGENTINA, 1922-23 WITH FINAL ACREAGE FOR 1921-22 WITH AVERAGE 1909-13.

Crop	Average, 1908-09 - 1912-13.	1921-22.	1922-23.
	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
Wheat	15,799	13,927	15,500
Oats	2,092	2,105	2,250
Linseed	3,683	3,892	4,500

(Sources: Average 1908-09 - 1912-13 - Estadistica Agricola, 1917-18, pages 45 and 46. 1921-22 Final estimates Estadistica Agricola. October 1921, p. 185. 1922 estimates quoted by the Argentine American Chamber of Commerce, September 19, 1922.

DECLINE IN THE PRODUCTION OF COFFEE ON THE EAST COAST OF SUMATRA.

In the last seven years the area planted to coffee in the "Sumatra East Coast" has dwindled to less than half. The producing acreage dropped to two-thirds during 1916 and 1917, but has nearly risen to its 1914 level. The production, however, has fallen off to one-fourth of the quantity produced in 1915. The decline is attributed to two main causes, the coffee borer, and the fact that rubber is superseding coffee.

The following figures show the planted and producing area devoted to coffee during the last eight years.

Year.	Planted area. Acres.	Year.	Productive Area. Acres.
1914	37,043	1914	15,221
1915	32,884	1915	18,308
1916	28,335	1916	16,440
1917	23,027	1917	9,035
1918	24,234	1918	11,831
1919	18,873	1919	12,822
1920	22,993	1920	13,164
1921	18,214	1921	15,066

The annual production for the last seven years is given below:

Year.	Pounds.	Year.	Pounds.
1915	9,701,342	1919	5,233,119
1916	8,282,672	1920	3,744,522
1917	8,880,680	1921	3,061,751
1918	10,025,432		

(Source: Consular report, Medan, Sumatra, May 29, 1922).

SECONDARY CEREAL CROPS OF CHOSEN, FINAL OFFICIAL FIGURES FOR 1918 AND 1919 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1920 AND 1921.

Crop.	Area.			
	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Millet	1,858,202	1,913,144	1,894,830	1,898,643
Panicum	280,441	290,303	297,504	300,152
Sorghum	36,584	40,471	42,147	41,787
Indian Millet	229,234	238,485	241,031	245,874
Corn	206,320	219,129	223,426	224,653
Oats	235,694	236,078	230,374	267,379
Buckwheat	a 234,644	a 230,071	242,143	245,686
	Production.			
	Win. Bushels.	Win Bushels.	Win. Bushels.	Win. Bushels.
Millet	28,988,861	19,535,501	29,939,802	29,078,918
Panicum	5,337,018	3,351,737	5,323,742	5,324,116
Sorghum	514,649	390,764	580,930	553,429
Indian millet	4,062,597	2,752,210	4,145,882	4,103,150
Corn	3,144,617	2,002,174	3,105,330	3,079,401
Oats	4,730,099	2,432,006	4,053,982	4,873,101
Buckwheat	a 2,955,153	a 1,900,434	3,093,473	3,051,300

(Source: 1918-19, Agricultural and Commercial Statistics of Japan, 1920, pages 147-149; 1920-21, consular Report, Seoul, Chosen, July 24, 1922).

a. Same source as 1920-21.

WOOL IN NEW ZEALAND.

According to information compiled by the New Zealand Wool Committee, the total sales of New Zealand free wool from July 1, 1921 to March 31, 1922 amounted to 615,168 bales of which 413,954 bales have been sold in New Zealand and 201,214 bales sold in London auctions. The committee estimates that not more than 45,000 bales of wool of the 1920-21 and 1921-22 clips will remain unsold in the Dominion by the end of May 1922.

(Source: Consular Report, May 16, 1922).

CROPS IN CHOSEN, 1918-1919.

(latest official figures).

Crop.	Area.		Production.	
	1918.	1919.	1918.	1919.
	Acres.	Acres.	Win. bushels.	Win. bushels.
Rice, husked	3,794,100	3,768,679	78,290,544	65,053,317
Barley	1,938,139	1,966,731	39,560,241	37,216,563
Wheat	843,972	850,123	9,896,696	8,552,928
Barley, naked	139,075	133,257	2,135,319	1,849,065
Soya-beans	1,822,000	1,858,986	24,920,935	16,793,550
Azuki beans	655,165	636,555	6,826,340	2,356,624
Perilla Ocimoides.	35,133	34,067	374,946	280,014
			Pounds.	Pounds.
Hemp	64,598	68,465	38,017,468	39,023,400
Tobacco	43,294	43,090	32,116,146	31,609,616
China grass	2,838	3,157	848,986	974,078
			Bushels.	Bushels.
Sweet potatoes	24,752	26,132	3,153,159	3,199,773
Potatoes	154,865	173,360	15,583,689	15,137,973
			Bales of 478 lb.	Bales of 478 lbs.
Cotton, all	319,618	356,422	215,590	269,428

(Source: Agricultural and Commercial Statistics of Japan, for 1920, pages 147-149).

AREA AND PRODUCTION OF WINTER OILSEEDS IN BRITISH INDIA.

Crop.	Area.			Production.		
	Average, 1909-10 - 1913-14.	1920-21.	1921-22.	Average, 1909-10 - 1913-14.	1920-21.	1921-22.
	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Pounds.	1,000 Pounds.	1,000 Pounds.
Rape and mustard.	6,432	5,008	6,104	2,748,166	1,919,680	2,558,080
				Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Linseed	3,831	2,268	2,993	20,466	10,800	17,360

(Source: Final General Memorandum, Department of Statistics, Calcutta, May 31, 1922.

THE COFFEE CROP OF SAO PAULO.

According to a Santos Newspaper the 1922-23 coffee crop of the territory which supplies the coffee exported through the port of Santos, Brazil, has been estimated by the personnel of the Sao Paulo State Department of Agriculture to be about 1,054,700,000 pounds of which about 1,028,300,000 is expected to reach Santos for export. These figures are about 84,000,000 pounds in excess of the estimates of the majority of the Santos exporters. It is considered still too early to make any very definite predictions of the crop or the amount available for export.
(Source: Consular Report, Santos, Brazil, August 16, 1922).

COFFEE PROSPECTS IN BRAZIL.

Predictions are being made on the basis of excellent growing conditions that the 1923-24 coffee crop of Sao Paulo, Brazil, will be the largest since the bumper crop of 1915-16.
(Source: Consular Report, Santos, August 22, 1922).

PRODUCTION OF COFFEE IN HAITI.

Statistics of Haitian coffee production are lacking but it is estimated that the normal crop is from 80,000,000 to 100,000,000 pounds. As over 60,000,000 pounds were exported in the fiscal year 1920 the estimate would not seem unduly large. Coffee is by far the most valuable product of the soil, the quantities shipped running in value from 55 to 80 per cent of the total exportations of the Island. The 1921-22 season yielded about three-fourths of a normal crop, due to the drought during the months of April and May which was broken only by occasional showers on the coastal mountains and regions closely adjacent. Local coffee dealers express the opinion that the coming season will duplicate the last one unless the rainfall is much more abundant than appears likely.
(Source: Consular Report, Cape Haitien, Haiti, June 8, 1922).

ESTIMATED WORLD RYE ACREAGE IN 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND THE AVERAGE 1909-1913.

Country.	Acreage.		
	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922.
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
NORTH AMERICA.			
United States *	2,236	4,228	5,148
Canada *	117	1,842	2,410
Mexico	.....	.....	.....
Total North America	2,353	6,070	7,558
Total Countries marked *	2,353	6,070	7,558
EUROPE.			
Austria	a 5,019	b 758	.....
Czechoslovakia	.....	2,183	2,160
Belgium *	644	559	531
Bulgaria *	a 530	489	481
Denmark *	632	559	547
Finland *	c 592	b 606	b 588
France *	a 2,960	2,227	2,087
Germany	a 15,387	10,539	.....
Greece	d 13	.....	.....
Hungary *	a 2,601	1,370	1,340
Italy *	303	287	b 284
Luxemburg *	26	b 35	b 32
Netherlands *	557	492	491
Norway	37	36	.....
Poland*	a 5,261	8,866	b 10,829
Rumania *	a 317	b 807	b 533
Serbia, Croatia Slavonia and Bosnia Herzegovina*	a 338	.....	.....
Yugoslavia*	.....	b 471	b e 369
Spain *	1,987	1,786	b 1,702
Sweden *	977	914	b 920
Switzerland *	60	50	48
United Kingdom	61	.....	.....
Total Europe	38,302	33,034	22,942
Total Countries marked *	17,785	19,518	20,782

ESTIMATED WORLD RYE ACREAGE IN 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND THE AVERAGE 1909-1913, - CONT'D.

Country.	Acreage.		
	Average, 1909-1913	1921.	1922.
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
Total Northern Hemisphere	40,655	39,104	30,500
Total Northern Hemisphere marked *	20,138	25,588	28,340

Country.	Acreage.		
	Average, 1908-09-1912-13.	1920-21.	1921-22.
SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
Argentina	68	.....	.....
Chile *	6	4	3
Uruguay	.....	.....	.....
Australia	9	4	.....
New Zealand	5	.....	.....
Union of South Africa	.....	.....	.....
Total Southern Hemisphere	88	8	3
Total Countries of Southern Hemisphere marked *	6	4	3
World Total	40,743	39,112	30,503
Total marked *	20,144	25,591	28,343

(Source: Official sources unless otherwise stated).

a. Old boundaries.
b. International Institute of Agriculture. Production Bulletin, August 1922.
c. Census 1910 only.
d. 1914 only.
e. Winter Crop.

ESTIMATED WORLD RYE PRODUCTION IN 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE FOR 1909-1913.

COUNTRY.	Production.		
	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922. Latest Estimate
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE.	1,000 Bushels.	1,000 Bushels	1,000 Bushels.
North America.			
United States*	34,916	57,918	79,600
Canada *	2,094	21,455	49,602
Mexico	70	.....	.....
Total North America	37,080	79,373	129,202
Total Countries Marked *	37,010	79,373	129,202
EUROPE.			
Austria	a 112,752	b 12,661	.....
Czechoslovakia	.....	53,735	b 45,785
Belgium *	22,675	21,273	b 18,598
Bulgaria *	a 8,553	8,390	b 8,761
Denmark	17,573	12,204	.....
Finland *	11,174	b 10,385	b 7,640
France *	a 48,647	44,392	c 37,000
Germany*	a 445,222	267,648	c 210,580
Greece	d 218	.....	.....
Hungary *	a 48,716	23,177	20,064
Italy *	5,328	5,634	b 5,019
Luxemburg	651	b 707	.....
Netherlands *	16,422	16,646	b 12,388
Norway	974	1,043	.....
Poland *	a 90,494	167,558	b 210,200
Rumania *	a 4,652	b 9,081	b 7,874
Serbia, Croatia Slavonia and Bosnia Herzegovina	a 4,208	.....	.....
Yugoslavia	.....	b 5,770	.....
Spain *	27,635	28,118	b 27,340
Sweden *	23,859	27,811	b 21,056
Switzerland *	1,783	1,559	1,488
United Kingdom	1,751	.....	.....
Total Europe	893,287	717,792	633,793
Total European Countries marked *	755,160	631,672	588,008

ESTIMATED WORLD RYE PRODUCTION IN 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE FOR 1909-1913.

COUNTRY.	Production.		
	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922.
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE.	1,000 Bushels.	1,000 Bushels	1,000 Bushels.
Total Northern Hemisphere	930,367	797,165	762,995
Total Countries of Northern Hemisphere marked *.....	792,170	711,045	717,210
	Production.		
SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE.	Average, 1908-09-1912-13.	1920-21.	1921-22.
	1,000 Bushels	1,000 Bushels	1,000 Bushels.
Argentina.....	949	.....	.....
Chile *	144	53	44
Uruguay	1	.....	.....
Australia	108	.....	.....
New Zealand	97	.....	.....
Union of South Africa	e 723	788	.....
Total Southern Hemisphere	2,022	841	44
Total Countries of Southern Hemisphere Marked *	144	53	44
World Total	932,389	798,006	552,859
Total Countries Marked *	792,314	711,098	717,254

(Source: Official sources unless otherwise stated).

a. Old boundaries.
b. International Institute of Agriculture,
c. Commercial Source.
d. 1914 only.
e. 1914 only.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES FROM 1914 TO 1922.

(July 1913 = 100) a

Groups.	Number of commodities.	Index Numbers. July, 1914.	July, 1915.	July, 1916.	July, 1917.	July, b1918.	July, b1919.	July, b1920.	July, b1921.	July b192
Grains and Fodders;										
Grain, Ontario	6	108	147	143	275	286	249	319	136	133
Grain, Western	4	109	147	138	243	273	312	333	164	151
Fodder	5	120	135	120	142	146	197	252	155	157
Total	15	112	143	134	221	235	246	300	150	146
Animals and Meats:										
Cattle and Beef	6	121	114	122	156	203	192	208	116	119
Hogs and Hog Products ...	6	88	92	115	168	192	229	203	135	139
Sheep and mutton .	3	116	123	141	161	222	189	188	143	137
Poultry	2	116	117	165	160	220	270	256	235	223
Total	17	108	107	128	162	204	215	209	142	146
Dairy Products	9	95	102	116	152	181	207	216	148	138
Fish	9	93	86	98	126	151	140	153	114	113
Fruits and Vegetables	c 17	109	86	142	256	233	199	293	156	177
Miscellaneous Groceries ..	25	97	120	133	187	213	217	282	174	149
Textiles.....	29	102	118	148	206	284	280	306	180	185
Hides, leather, boots, and shoes	11	105	107	145	168	172	233	181	105	99
Metals and implements ...	33	95	138	153	219	233	184	220	173	161
Fuel and lighting	10	95	92	109	200	211	200	303	213	241
Building Materials	48	99	104	123	162	187	210	279	212	183
House furnishing	16	102	110	121	169	199	258	308	279	218
Drugs and chemicals	16	98	154	220	232	258	195	218	175	160
Miscellaneous .	17	87	78	106	140	185	247	252	174	190
All commodities	d 263	100	111	134	184	210	218	257	177	167

(Source: Department of Labour, Canada, "The Labour Gazette", August 1922, p. 905).

(For notes, see following page)

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES FROM 1914 TO 1922, - CONT'D.

a. Recomputed from table using average price 1890-1899 as base.
b. Preliminary.
c. The number of commodities varies from month to month.
d. Eight commodities off the market, fruits, vegetables, etc. One line of spelter was dropped in 1915.

PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN RETAIL FOOD PRICES IN THE VARIOUS COUNTRIES AT THE UNDERMENTIONED DATES OVER PRICES PREVAILING JULY, 1914.

"While the percentages given in the following Summary Tables are derived from the most authoritative sources of statistical information in each country, certain differences in the nature and scope of the data used, in the methods of combining such data and in the periods for which the rise is measured, suggest the need for caution in drawing conclusions from a comparison between the figures for any two countries. It is also to be observed that in every case the percentage calculation is based on the assumption that the standard of living is identical at the various periods compared."

Country.	Percentage Increased over July, 1914. 1.					
	July, 1918.	July, 1919.	July 1920.	July 1921.	Latest figures available.	
					Increased.	Date.
	Per Cent.	Per Cent.	Per Cent	Per Cent.	Per Cent.	
United Kingdom.....	110	109	158	120	75	1922, Aug.
Foreign Countries:						
Austria (Vienna)...	...	...	...	2. 9,320	328,100	July.
Belgium 3.....	...	...	359	310	281	July.
Czechoslovakia 4 ...	...	...	...	1,246	1,314	March.
Denmark.....	87	112	153	136	97	January.
Finland.....	...	...	882	1,178	992	May.
France (Paris)4....	106	161	273	206	197	July.
" (other towns)4	5 144	5 188	5 288	5 250	215	2nd. qtr.

PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN RETAIL FOOD PRICES IN THE VARIOUS COUNTRIES AT THE UNDERMENTIONED DATES OVER PRICES PREVAILING JULY, 1914,-CONTINUED

Country	Percentage increase over July, 1914. 1.					
	July 1918	July 1919	July 1920	July 1921	Latest figures available: Increase	Latest figures available: Date
	Per Cent	Per Cent	Per Cent	Per Cent	Per Cent	
Germany	...	...	...	1,391	6,736	July
Holland (The Hague)	...	...	143	113	82	May
" (Amsterdam)	76	110	117	85	40	May
Italy (Rome)	103	106	218	302	354	June
" (Milan)	225	210	345	406	392	July
" (Florence)	198	178	313	350	373	June
Norway	179	189	219	195	133	July
Poland (Warsaw)	...	...	...	45,555	101,358	May
Sweden 4	168	210	197	132	79	July
Switzerland	...	129	135	113	53	June
United States	64	86	115	45	38	June
Overseas Dominions:						
Australia	31	47	94	61	46	June
Canada	75	86	127	48	38	July
India (Bombay)	...	...	88	74	60	July
New Zealand	39	44	67	64	43	June
South Africa	34	39	97	39	18	June

(Source: British Ministry of Labor Gazette, August, 1922, page 350).

1. Exceptions to this are: Belgium in which comparison is with April 1914: France (other towns), 2nd quarter of 1914; Germany, average 1913-14, The Hague, January to July 1914; Rome, Milan, Florence, January to June, 1914; Switzerland, June 1914; Poland, January 1914; South Africa, Average 1914.
2. Figure for June.
3. The increases shown are for families of the lowest income class; in July the increase for all working class families ranged from 280 to 284 per cent.
4. Fuel and lighting are also included in these figures.
5. Figure for 3rd quarter.

IMPORTS OF GRAINS, MEATS AND COTTON INTO THE UNITED KINGDOM FROM ALL COUNTRIES AND THE UNITED STATES FOR JULY 1921 AND 1922 AND SEVEN (7) MONTHS ENDED JULY 31, 1921 AND 1922.

Commodity	Unit	July 1921	July 1922	7 Mo. Ended July 31,1921	7 Mo. Ended July 31,1922
Wheat - Total	Bus.	9,494,815	13,246,613	78,150,068	102,200,554
From U. S.	"	2,584,587	3,965,733	34,297,013	35,631,680
Wheat Flour - Total	Bbl.	701,625	626,286	4,728,249	4,652,774
From U. S.	"	303,956	164,457	2,151,377	1,635,839
Corn - Total	Bus.	5,369,120	4,570,082	35,773,166	37,852,822
From U. S.	"	351,000	1,419,000	10,969,000	19,149,600
Barley - Total	Bus.	2,454,433	1,879,033	14,362,348	10,795,974
From U. S.	"	558,600	623,700	8,357,300	5,480,300
Oats - Total	Bus.	3,947,300	2,619,050	19,289,358	20,818,217
From U. S.	"	52,150	752,150	1,310,400	6,083,000
Bacon - Total	Lbs.	60,976,160	52,899,504	378,343,952	367,562,048
From U. S.	"	25,933,040	20,468,000	167,243,664	159,057,024
Hams - Total	Lbs.	14,264,768	17,615,808	61,364,576	102,180,064
From U. S.	"	12,859,056	16,473,072	56,098,224	94,843,168
Lard - Total	Lbs.	21,333,760	23,553,600	151,580,800	153,229,440
From U. S.	"	18,229,120	20,975,360	128,717,120	143,808,000
Cotton (Excluding Linters) - Total	Bales of 500 lbs.	176,588	221,579	1,203,223	1,549,260
From U. S.		128,277	145,527	883,786	1,011,675

(Source: The British Government's Monthly Recounts Relating to Trade and Navigation.)